STATE OF MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 97-580 June 5, 2001

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION Investigation of Central Maine Power Company's Stranded Costs, Transmission and Distribution Utility Revenue Requirements, and Rate Design (Diesel Deferral Rate) ORDER GRANTING APPROVAL OF RATE SCHEDULE CHANGE

On May 17, 2001, Central Maine Power Company (CMP or the Company) filed with this Commission proposed revisions to its Optional Targeted Service Rate: Diesel Generation Deferral Energy Service (DDR). These revisions were filed to comply with the Commission's May 3, 2001 Order on Reconsideration in the instant docket that requires CMP to reduce the DDR rates by an additional 0.3 ¢/kWh for the period April 15, 2001 through February 28, 2002.

In its May 3, 2001 Order, as allowed under 35-A M.R.S.A. § 107(4), the Commission delegated its authority to the Director (or Acting Director) of Technical Analysis to grant approval of filings made in compliance with the Commission's March 28, 2001 and May 3, 2001 Orders in this Docket. I have reviewed the proposed rate schedule changes and found them to be in compliance with those Orders.

Therefore, pursuant to my delegated authority, I will grant approval of the **Eleventh Revision to Page 135.10** and the **Fifth Revision of Page 135.20** of CMP's DDR rate scheduled as filed by the Company on May 17, 2001.

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 5th day of June, 2001.

BY ORDER OF THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Faith Huntington	

¹ In its May 3, 2001 Order, the Commission reduced rates for most special rate contract customers by 0.8¢/kWh for the period April 15, 2001 through February 28, 2002. However, the Commission found that the DDR rate had already received a 0.5 ¢/kWh reduction due to changes in generation prices (approved by Order dated March 5, 2001 in Docket No. 2001-131) and should, therefore, only get an additional reduction of 0.3 ¢/kWh.